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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1—66.

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SUBJECT.

Supply of Snider Breech Loaders to the Police Force.

Ordered & Countermanded

JD

OFFICE OF THE
10381
14. MAY 1897
1301
DEWAN OF MYSORE.

From

The Inspector General of Police
in Mysore.

To PoC 9-96

The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
General and Revenue Depts.

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Dated 12th
Despatched 13th } May 1897.
Received 14th
General No. 3759
No. 424
Enclosure No.

Recommending that a certain percentage at least of the frontier Police may be armed with snider breech-loaders converted into smooth-bores.

Subject to etc.,

In 1892 & 1893 a similar proposal was made by the Govt but Govt abandoned a difficulty. (S. Nos 12 & 13).

Subsequently 447 muzzle loading carbines were supplied with the sanction of the Govt of India (S. No 24). The Govt again noted the desirability of supplying a portion of the Police force with breech loaders.

L.
27/5/97

I think we may make a entry of the Govt of India letter & the reply but not the enclosures —

Ct
31/5/97

Submitted
Chairman

DO 28th May & 12th June
Despatch noted &
Papers returned

7/6/97

W/ Chairman with
Mr Madhava Rao's D.O. reply &
office note —
7-7-97

Subs with J.F. No. 48 of 1893-4.
containing the reports

DMB
20/5/97

Subs to Secr.
21/5/97

OFFICE OF THE

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

Bangalore,

No. 3759/424 Dated 12/13 May 1897.

FROM

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government the urgent necessity that exists for arming the Police in the frontier Districts of Shimoga and Kadur, and the Special Reserve at Bangalore, Mysore and Shimoga with breech loading guns.

2. The importance of arming the Police with these effective guns was first brought to the notice of Government by Mr. Ricketts so far back as 1890 and formed the subject of subsequent repre-

No. 1889/264 of 24-11-90 to Chief Secretary. S.No. 5.
516/66 " 17-5-92 — " 180 — S.No. 10
630/80 " 21-8-93. — Do — S.No. 11.
1131/123 " 29-9-93. — Do — S.No. 11.

(Ref. Letter No. 2 dated 4th Nov. 1893 from the Resident in Mysore (Serial No. 24))

representations as per margin into Government were pleased to order in Proceedings No. 10195/J 871 (S.No. 13 Sec I) dated 30-12-93 that difficulty was apprehended regarding the importation into Mysore of breech loading Rifles and that the Durbar were not prepared to move in the matter then. 447 muzzle loading carbines were accordingly indented for from the Madras Arsenal and issued to the Districts

3. A muzzle loader, however, is not so effective a weapon as a breech loader and the practical uselessness of the former kind of weapon was forcibly brought to my notice during the recent dacoities in the Shimoga and Kadur Districts.

4. On one occasion an Inspector of Police in the Shimoga District who belongs to a community accustomed

to the use of firearms sighted a large gang of dacoits going into the jungles after the commission of a dacoity, but did not fire at them as he had only one muzzle-loading gun with him. The Inspector would have given a good account of himself if the weapon in his hands was a breech loader

5. Again, when a forester and a Policeman came in view of the dacoit on another occasion, the forester says he fired his gun at the dacoits who were 13 in number, but did not pursue them as he had only a muzzle-loader with him.

6. The above are only two out of several instances brought to my notice in which I found that the want of an effective weapon was one of the reasons for the dacoities not

not being promptly dealt with. I have reason to think that a single Policeman well trained to the use of firearms armed with a breech loader would have put an effectual stop to the progress of the dacoits and prevented the series of dacoities in February and March which caused so much alarm in the frontier Districts.

7. I would therefore strongly recommend that a certain percentage at least of the frontier Police may be armed with snider breech loaders converted into smooth bores.

8. This is the weapon with which the District Reserves in British India are armed as will be seen from the extract given in the margin. 200 of these

* Moral and material progress of India during the year 1891-92 - and preceding years - page 160 -

"It was also enjoined upon "the local authorities that "a sufficient reserve should "be maintained in every

breech loaders distributed over the frontier and in the hands of the Special Reserve Police in Bangalore and Mysore and Shimoga will conduce to the "dacoities of the type we have lately had being effectually put down if not prevented.

9. I make the above recommendation with the greater confidence as I find from Part II, page 32, para 148, of the Travancore Administration Report for the year 895-96 that the Police at the Southern frontier

"District, if possib
"at all events at Convenient
"centres, to put down all
"riots and local distur-
"bances, and in a fit
"state of preparation to b
"concentrated for extra-
"ordinary emergencies. As
"the reserve in question is
"part of the District force
"it is to be still available
"for escort duty and is
"useful, too, in training
"recruits, all of whom are,
"as far as possible, to pass
"through it, and be capabl
"of serving in it whenever
"occasion requires. The
"ordinary District reserve
"& the Sd Reserves are
"to be armed with breech
"loading ~~Sniders~~ converted
"into smooth bores, whilst the
"special reserves which are
"called upon to perform
"duties of a semi-military
"nature, are armed with
"the Snider unconverted".

of that Province are armed with smoothbore breech loaders. I feel persuaded therefore that the difficulties referred to in the Government Proceedings above quoted cannot be insuperable, and that the Government of India would be prepared to sanction the importation of the weapons, should the urgent need therefor be represented to them. Mysore has a large frontier to guard and the Northern Districts are particularly exposed to incursions of the Criminal Classes from across the border.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant

W. Madhava Rao
Inspector General
of Police

* 148. "During the year under report, the Police at the Southern Frontier were armed with smoothbore breech loaders. The fire-arms and ammunition were obtained from the Madras Arsenal at a cost of nearly Rs 1,580."

9-6-97

(48)

My dear friend.

With reference to your application in re Breech loaders, the Dewan desires me to call for a statement showing the total No. of existing arms of all kinds — He thinks that the No. of breech-loaders to be asked for should be as small as possible and that revolvers should be more largely used by the Police than hitherto. Please see the Slip ⊗ enclosed and send me the information required by the Dewan

Yours very sincerely
(Signed) C. Sreenivasaraiengar

V. P. Madhava Rao Esqre
I. G. of Police.

⊗ copy of the enclosure.

Police arms

Revolvers - (Muzzle-loaders)
—do— - (Breech-loaders)

	Muzzle	Breech
Guns		
Muskets		
carbines		

How many Breech loaders he now wants.

Police arms.

Revolvers. (muzzle loaders

/ Breech loaders)

Guns. / muzzle / Breech

Muskets

Carbines

How many Breech loaders he now wants

Pol 9-76

SL 2

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small sl
the notes must be copied, or slips pasted
this form.

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Pièce intéressante à garder.
Elle manque à la collection
actuelle. July 5

6/7/97

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[illegible] 7/7/97

Sir,

Your D.O. d
9th June 1897 in r
supplying breec
loading Snider t
Police. I send
a memo with
showing revolver
Carbines supplied

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

POC 9-70

SL 2

the Police from.
the present time.

I have explained
arms no breech loadi
weapons of any kind
that I apply for is
no single breech load
converted into a muzz
world for the whole fo
too old strong. This
very moderate reque
have explained the ne
or breech loaders. Mu
-aders are useless
either for firing with
Lanch Cartridges or for
ll ammunition. The

are too slow for
mobs in check o
daoits. Ordin
Police in Scotland
armed with three ba
loaders.

I may be permitte
state that revolve
are useless for
front of file. They
generally carried
officers for self
firing at close
There was a great
- those when the
shooting had to be

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the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on
this form.

Pol 9-70

SL 2

sent out to Kadu
afternoon lately. Iam
getting up a list all
applicants & will
address you about
revolvers required for
the Officers.

Kindly see that the
Police get the breech
loaders early. Hope
the rupee I enclose
will be full & satisfactory
I return note made by
the dewan

Yours sincerely
W Meadowcroft

Office note.

Police Arms.

	Muzzle-loading	Breech-loading	
		Issued in 1884	Issued subsequently
Revolvers.	nil	20	24
Muskets.	not known	nil	nil
Long rifles.	719	nil	nil.
Rifled carbines	447	nil	nil.

No Record ... have been issued —

A list of the number of revolvers and guns now in stock is shown in the margin. Their distribution by Districts is shown in statement A.

Revolvers. No muzzle loaders were ever supplied 20 revolvers were purchased at Government Cost and issued to Districts in 1884 (A.1). It is presumed that no Customs duty was paid for these. 24 were subsequently issued at different times (as per statement B).

been purchased
ment cost and the others
on payment by the parties
to whom they were issued.
Out of these 24 revolvers 11
were purchased in 1887
and no Customs duty appears
to have been paid for
them. (B.I.) They appear to
have been exempted under
Proviso 2 to Article I Sche-
dule 2 of the Tariff Act XI
of 1882.

With reference to the
second supply of 10 revolvers
in 1888, the Collector of Sea
Customs enquired for what
purpose the revolvers were
required

required (B.2). After receiving our reply, he appears to have objected to the exemption (Vide letter from Orr & Sons B.3). This office accordingly wrote to Government in No. 2319/43 dated 14th May 1889 (B.4), requesting that the Resident may be moved to intercede in the matter, and obtain exemption for arms imported to Mysore. An unfavorable reply appears to have been received, which, however is not forthcoming, as in May 1889 (B.5), we reply to Orr & Sons that we are prepared to pay the duty. It was accordingly paid, and has

(S No. A in Section I)

1928/398 of 30/11/88

has been paid for all subsequent purchases.

In the correspondence of Mr. Dunning with Messrs Orr & Sons (marked C) they say that for each revolver we have to pay a Customs Duty of Rs 15, besides having to pay a lumpsum of Rs 10, being the value of stamp paper for application to the Commissioner of Police for an export license. They would supply each revolver at Rs 35/- without either of the above charges, if Europeans or Eurasians would fill in the enclosed forms, and get them Countersigned by the Resident.

No license duty hitherto been paid. A export license has in e case been obtained from the Resident (B.6).

Information as to the number of revolvers Amildars, Inspectors, Jemadars and other Police Offic would purchase at their own cost was called for and replies have been received from the Frene Rocks, Kadur, Hass-an, Gold Fields, Mysore and Chitaldroog which requi 56 revolvers in all. (Vide Statement D). Replies hav not

ot been received from the other Districts.

Muskets. These, the manager says, must have been supplied before 1877. We have no information in the office. Possibly some of them are entered in the lists referred to below. These are smooth-bore.

Long rifles. A circular E) was issued in February 1892 calling for the number of "muzzle-loading rifle Carbines" with sword bayonets. This was for seeing whether some of them could not be got for the Special Reserves. In the replies re-

received, mention is made of 719 such guns altogether. They are variously styled as rifles, short rifles, rifle carbines, and rifles and muskets by the Deputy Commissioners. The distinction between muskets, rifles and carbines does not appear to have been well kept in view. What the circular wanted and what the Deputy Commissioners sent in was the number of long infantry rifles in stock. No carbines had then been issued. It is possible, however, that the figures

figures from some Districts, at any rate, include Smooth-bore muskets also. (Vide reply from Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore. E.I.). There is nothing to show also how many of these guns are serviceable, and how many not.

Rifled Carbines - or Short Cavalry rifles. 447 of these were obtained from the Madras Arsenal in 1896, and issued to Districts. (as per statement F).

All the above guns are muzzle-loading. No breech-loaders have been supplied.

A

Distribution of Ammunition

	Muzzle-loading			Breech-loading	
	Muskets.	Long Rifles	Rifled Carbines	Revolvers.	
				Issued in 1884	Issued subsequent
Bangalore District.	"	57	40	2	"
Kolar.	"	67	40	3	"
Tumkur.	"	145	40	2	"
Mysore.	"	70	40	3	1
French Rocks.	"	22	17	2	"
Hassan.	"	80	30	2	"
Shimoga.	"	80	50	2	6
Kadur.	"	114	30	2	9
Chitaldroog	"	84	50	2	8
Bangalore Special Reserve.	"	"	50	"	"
Mysore —— do ——	"	"	25	"	"
Tumkur —— do ——	"	"	10	"	"
Shimoga —— do ——	"	"	10	"	"
Bangalore City Police.	"	"	5	"	"
Mysore —— do ——	"	"	5	"	"
Kolar Gold Fields.	"	"	5	"	"
Total.	"	719	447	20	24

A.

Please distribute as follows:-

3. to Mysore District.
2. to Hassan.
2. to French Rocks.
2. to Chitaldroog.
2. to Bangalore.
3. to Kolar.
2. to Tumkur.
2. to Shimoga.
2. to Kadur.

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The remaining two one of each kind, to be retained at Head Quarters.

Deputy Commissioners and Sub-Division officers should be asked to take special care of these revolvers and to arrange for their being cleaned occasionally and for some of the more energetic Inspectors in their District or Sub-Division learning the use of them.

3/12/84.

Signd/ K. Sheshadri Aye

Revolvers received.

1st July 1886	Balance	1
15th July 1887	Received	11
1st May 1888	do	10
1st April 1889	do	3
1st January 1891	do	2
1st September 1891	do	1
	Total	28

Revolvers issued & district.

12th July 1888	Deputy Commissioner,	Shimoga	3
do	do	Chitaldroog	8
do	do	Kadúr	8
14th July 1889	do	Shimoga	1
12th November 1889	do	do	1
31st March 1892	Mr. Ranjasami Ayengar Deputy Commissioner,	Mysore	1
14th May 1892	Deputy Commissioner,	Shimoga	1
13th June 1892	do	Kadúr	1
		Total	24 ×

× Note. Four revolvers, issued for Circuit use, & Mr Gopala Ayengar, Hasan Ali Beg ▾ Bangalore Special Reserve are omitted.

P. Orr + Sons
Madras. 5 Encloseures

Madras, 7th July 1887

The Inspector General of Police
in Mysore.
Bangalore.

K-1

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 4th instant, ordering a supply of 12 Revolvers for the Police, accompanied by a License from the Resident of Mysore. We regret to say that owing to the unusually heavy demand for these weapons in Burmah, our stock has temporarily run out, but we have the pleasure of forwarding this day by rail 7 Revolvers of the description given in your order, and 4 of similar make, only that they are blued; making in all a total of 11 out of 12 Revolvers ordered.

We send, enclosed herein, 3 cer-

certificates which please sign and return to us. We trust the consignment will meet with your approval, and that we shall be favored with your Commands for the future.

We return your License herein, and subjoin a note of our Account."

Enclosing Railway Receipt.

"We are Sir,
Your obedient Servants.
/Sd/ P. Orr & Sons.

Memo.

887
July 5: To, 7·455 nickel plated
Iron self extracting British
Bull Dog revolvers Nos 900
@ nett 19/- ——— 133 -o-o
4·455 Blued - do - do -
at nett 19/- ——— 76 -o-o
" package - ——— 1 -o-o
" railage ——— o-13-o
~~Rs~~ 210-13-o

Quittale

+ Note. No charge made for Customs dut

Reference No: 2953/G

Sea Custom House.
Madras 7th August 1888

B-2

From: R. W. Barlow, Esquire,
Collector of Sea Customs,
Madras.

To, The Inspector General of Police
Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to the 2 certificates granted by you for the purchase of 10 Revolvers received with Messrs. P. Orr & Son's application dated 1st June last, for a refund of so much of the duty paid by them, as is in excess of 10 per cent advalorem, under proviso 2 to article I Schedule 2 of the Tariff Act XI of 1852, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to let me know the purpose for which the revolvers in question were purchased by you, to enable me to decide, whether

their

their claim comes within the terms of the proviso above quoted.

Thanking you.

/Sd/ R. W. Barlow.
Collector of Sea Customs.

P. Orr & Sons,
Madras.

11th September 1888

B-3

The Inspector General
of Police in Mysore,
Mysore.

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 6th instant informing us that an Indent for 12 Revolvers had been forwarded to the Resident for grant of license.

We regret that we are at present quite out of stock of Small size Revolvers, our next shipment being expected in about a month. We shall be obliged to raise the price of same to Rs. 22 each, as the figure at which they have been previously supplied, taking into consideration the fall in exchange, does not recoup us.

In consequence of a recent exception having been taken to the supply in quantity of arms to Government Departments, whereby the refund of duty paid by us on importation has been disallowed, we are in doubt in what light the Collector of Sea Customs will view your Indent.

Before actually supplying the same therefore, we shall be obliged to address him on the subject, as in the event of his disallowing the refund of duty, there will be an an additional charge of Re. 12/12 on each Revolver.

Awaiting the favor of your reply.

We have &c.,
Signed P. Orr & Sons.

1888

No. 1928/398 Sn: 2

Dated 30th November 1888.

B-4.

From.

The Inspector General of Police in Mysore

To,

The Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of Government letter in original from Messrs. O. Orr & Sons, Madras, regarding customs duty payable on revolvers required for the use of the Mysore Police. The Collector of Sea Customs has, under the Indian Tariff act, been hitherto exempting such revolvers from payment and we have accordingly been getting them Rs. 15 cheaper than would otherwise have been the case. I need hardly emphasize on the urgent need of Police Inspectors being armed with revolver and knowing their use. In meeting dacoits and in patrolling roads for the purpose of preventing dacoities and other highway crime, a Police officer armed with these weapons possesses incalcula advantages over one who does not. These weapons are accordingly urgently needed. I have been supplying some to our Inspectors for their use getting them to pay for the same. If customs duty has to be paid on them the price may be prohibitive and beyond the reach of the means of such officers. I beg in these circumstances that you will be so good as to move the British Resident intercede in

this matter and obtain exemption for arms required for the use of the Mysore State Police. I may here mention that I am, in pursuance of former correspondence, in Connection with Messrs Dolan & Co of London, for the supply of a uniform pattern of muzzle loading rifles-carbines for the Police and these will likewise have to be exempted.

I have &c.,

Signed/ L. Ricketts

Inspector General

of Police

1889

No. 319/43

Dated Bangalore 14th May 1889

B-5

From,

The Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

To,

Messrs. P. Orr & Sons,

Madras.

Sirs,

In reply to your letter of the 11th instant, I have the honor to inform you that this office is prepared to pay the extra duty of Re. 1/2 on each revolver.

I have &c.

(Signed) A. Krishnaswamiengar.

for Inspector General of Police.

No. 283/33 Sm:/.

Dated 10th May 1889.

From,
The Inspector General
of Police in Mysore.

E-6.

To,
Messrs. P. Orr & Sons,
Madras.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to forward herewith a license for the export from Madras of three revolvers required for the use of the Police of the Mysore State, and to request that you will be good enough to send the revolvers (three in number) to me at an early date.

I have &c.,

Signed/ A. Krishnaswamiengar.
for Inspector General
of Police.

Orr & Sons
Madras.

Madras March 23rd 1897.

C

G. Dunning Esqre,
Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore District,
Mission Road,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Your letter of 22nd Instant separately by this days Book post we send you our price list of arms & ammunition which we trust will reach you safely. Re our supplying revolvers for Government use, we beg to say that under the provisions of the Government of India Resolution No. 1672 dated 2nd August 1864 embodied in order of Government Revenue Department 1557 dated 26th Idem, Government Departments, in this Country purchasing stores, after duty has been paid upon them, should pay their price including the amount of duty.

If you are prepared to remit Rs. 15/- for each revolver (being the amount deposited with the Collector of Customs by us as duty at the time of importation) in addition to its price, and Rs. 10 being the value of stamp paper for application to the Commissioner of Police for an export license, we can supply them. In this case you must obtain the British Residents' permit to Import them.

To simplify the matter we can supply 12 '450 bore Army size, side extracting revolvers at Rs. 35/- provided you return the accompanying 12 Arms Certificates duly filled in and

and signed by 2 separate individuals either Europeans or Eurasians, and each Countersigned by the British Resident. In this Case you will have to pay neither duty nor Re. 10 for Stamp paper for application for export Licence.

We are Yours,

Signed E. Orr & Sons.

Memo.

D

The number of revolvers required by the Districts is the following :—

French Rocks	6
Kadur	13
Hassan	7
Chitaldroog	12
Kolar Gold Fields	5
Mysore	13
	56

No. 3108
109

Dated 22nd February 1892.

From,
The Inspector General
of Police in Mysore.

To,
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts
including French Rocks Sub-Division.

Has the honor to request that he will intimate to this office the number of muzzle loading rifle Carbines with sword bayonets in use in his District.

Signed L. Ricketts
Inspector General
of Police.

No. 19

Dt. 11th April 1892.

E/

From,

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

To,

The Inspector General
of Police in Mysore.

Inspector General's docket No. 3108/109 dated 22nd February 1892.

In reply to the above, has the honor to state the 57 old pattern muzzle loading rifles and muskets wit 59 Sword bayonets are in use in this District.

/Signed/ C. Haudin
For Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District

List showing the distribution of Short Carbines, recei
from the Madras Arsenal.

F

Strength of Police.	Name of Police.	Number of guns issue
52 men.	Bangalore Special Reserve.	50
52 "	Mysore —do—	25
32 "	Sirsi —do—	10
32 "	Shimoga —do—	10
318 "	Bangalore City Police	5
280 "	Mysore —do—	5
105 "	Kolar Gold Fields	5
581 "	Bangalore District Police	40
481 "	Kolar —do—	40
598 "	Sirsi —do—	40
488 "	Mysore —do—	40
425 "	Hassan —do—	30
499 "	Shimoga —do—	50
393 "	Kadur —do—	30
462 "	Chitaldroog —do—	50
310 "	French Rocks Sub-Division	17
5088 men		447

The Numbers first ref are old numbers
not to be cited in the new rules 22/9/97
Sub
DRB
21/9/97
Sub. to the Secretary.
22/9
Submit to the Dewan
Submit to the Dewan
before whom the file is
pending
23-9-97
Sub. to the Pr. Jamadar
23/9. 7365
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23/9/97

Sub. to Dewan
24-9-97

appg to Regd. 15

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17-12-97

J 408.

OFFICE OF THE
25-7
16 SEP 1897
1897
DEWAN OF MYSORE.

Gen. 30

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From

The Inspector General of Police
in Mysore.

To Pol 9-96

The General Secretary to the
Government of Mysore.

Dated 13

Despatched 15th September 97

Received

General No. 1093
No. 114

Enclosure No. One

Submitting a list of Amildars and Police Officers who are desirous of purchasing Revolvers at their own cost and requesting to move the Government to address the Resident for the import of 79 revolvers and for exemption from payment of customs duty.

J 16/9/97
The Collector (97 48 752 S.A. in
case) The Dewan DRB
18/9/97
[illegible]
Sub. DRB
20/9

OFFICE OF THE

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

No. 1093/114 Dated Bangalore, 14th September 1897.

Enc. One

FROM

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE
IN MYSORE.

To

THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

SIR,

In continuation of my D. O. forwarding a note regarding Revolvers, muskets &c. in stock and their distribution to the Districts, I have the honor to forward herewith a list shewing the names of Amildars and Police Officers who are desirous of purchasing Revolvers at their own Cost and to request that you will be so good as to move the Government to address the Resident for the import of 79 revolvers and for the exemption.

of these arms from payment of Customs duty.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

V. Ramachandra Rao

Inspector General
of Police.

Kolar Gold fields		
Mr. Ballard	Supdt. of Police	Kolar Gold Fields
" O'Doherty	Inspector	— do —
Chockanach	Amildar	Bowringpet
Gurusami Moodaliar	Head Constable	Gold Fields
Hassan District		
Sreenivasa Iyengar	Jemadar	Belur
Ramanna	Inspector	Holenarsipur
Haji Mahomed Abdulla	— do —	Arkulgud
Lakshman Naik	Jemadar	— do —
Hyder Hussain	— do —	Alur
Ganesh Iyer	Inspector	Hassan
Kadur District		
Mr. B. Ramaswamiah	Amildar	Chickmaglur
B. Narana Iyengar	Inspector	— do —
H. Ven Kateshah	Jemadar	— do — Town
P. R. Nagesh Naidu	Head Quarter Inspector	Mudigere
Mr. V. Subhapathy Pillai	Amildar	Kadur
Abdul Khader Junadé	Inspector	— do —
Vasudeva Rao	Jemadar	— do —
do Everard	Inspector	Koppa
B. Srinivasa Rao	Jemedar	— do —
T. Venkataramaniah	Dy. Amildar	Yedahally
Laxman Singh	Jemedar	— do —
Kistiya	Duffedar	— do —
Shimoga District		
Mr. Keshaviah	Deputy Amildar	Kumsi
Subhapathi Achari	Jemadar	— do —
Dasappa	Inspector	Shikarpur
Hanumanta Rao	— do —	Sorab
S. Rama Rao	Jemadar	— do —
Coelho	Ag. Inspector	Thirthahally
Venkatappa	Inspector	
Venkatesiah	Head Quarter Inspector	Shimoga
K. Dinnah	Reserve Jemedar	— do —
Mr. Simon Reuben	Special Reserve Inspector	— do —
	Grand Total	

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their own Costs of Officers who are desirous of purchasing Revo

Name	Rank	Taluk	No:
	Mysore District		
Krishna Rao	Inspector	Mysore	1
Mohomed Gows	do	Gundlepet	1
Eswer Rao	Jemadar	do	1
Sundararajeengar	Amildar	T. Narsipur	1
Syed Akvi	Inspector	do	1
Singiengar	Jemadar	do	1
Venkataramiah	do	Nanjangud	1
Tirumaraincengar	Amildar	Yelandur	1
Vasudeva Rao	Inspector	do	1
Rangaraj Urs	do	Krishnarajpet	1
Mahomed Yakub	Jemadar	Hunsur	1
Subbaniah	do	do	1
Fazululakhan	Head Constable	Mysore City	1
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	French Rocks Sub Division		
Mr. M. Nanjaraj Urs	Police Superintendent	French Rocks	1
Hassain alli Beg	Amildar	Seringapatam	1
Ramachendra Rao	Inspector	do	1
Mohadeen Shareef	do	Mandya	1
Sundara Rao	do	Nagamangala	1
Srikanta Rao	Jemadar	do	1
			6
	Chitaldroog District		12
	Tumkur District		
Mr. R. Shama Rao	Amildar	Kunigal	1
" A. Vedantadesigam Iyengar	do	Sira	1
Mahomed Hathim	Inspector	Chicknayakanhally	1
Hanumantha Rao	Af. do	Tumkur	1
Hari Singh	Jemadar	do	1
Shama Rao	Inspector	Tiptur	1
Murugesam Pillai	do	Gubbi	1
Parasurama Mudaliar	do	Pavagada	1
	Duffedar	Gubbi	1
Mr. Hamza Hussain	Asst. Supt. of Police	Tumkur	1
			10
	Kolar District		
Mr. Shamanna	Amildar	Bagepally	1
Arunachelam Pillai	Af. Inspector	do	1
Mr. Venkatasubbiah	Amildar	Mulbagal	1
" Yello Srinivasa Rao	do	Chintamani	1
Jayakumariah	Inspector	do	1
Putta Rao	Munshi	Police Office	1

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The First Assistant to
the Resident in Mysore.

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Sir

I am directed to
state that the question of
arming the Police in Mysore
with breech loading guns
has been repeatedly urged
upon the Darbar since 1890,
but that owing to their un-
willingness to move in the
matter, a supply of 447
muzzle loading carbines was
applied for and obtained in 1895
with the sanction of the Govt of India.

2. A further representation
has now been made by the Inspector
General of Police, in his letter dy 12 May 1897 & 3704
dated 9 June 1897
that the late dacoities in the
districts of Shimoga and Kadur
have proved the practical useless-

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From The 1st asst to the Resr
in Mysore

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To The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
~~Dept.~~

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Dated 17.1.98.

Despatched

Received in J. Branch 18/1/98

General No. 143.

No.

Enclosure No.

Stating that under the circum
stances represented the Govt
of India are not likely to
sanction the importation of
a large quantity of Snider
Breech loaders & Revolvers

References to be marked.

with J.7. № 48 of 1893-9

DMB
19-1-98.

Subs to Secy for instructions

Whether a further representation
necessary in the matter, 19/1/98

Submit draft
accdg to
decision

17/3/98

Submitted to 3rd Dy

Secy

20/1/98

Refer to the H.S. of Police

20-1-98

of muzzle loaders and that the want of an effective weapon was one of the reasons why the dacoities were not more promptly dealt with.

3. It is believed that the ordinary Police in British India, and likewise the frontier Police of Travancore, are armed with breech loading guns. In view of the fact that Mysore has a large frontier to guard and that the northern districts are particularly exposed to incursions of the criminal classes from across the border, the Darbar ~~have come to the conclusion~~ that a certain percentage at least of the frontier police should be armed with Snider breech loaders converted into smooth bores, They ~~consider~~ and that 200 of these ~~breech loaders~~ weapons distributed over the frontier and in the hands of the Special Reserve Police in Bangalore and Mysore will conduce to the effectual suppression of prevention of future dacoities of the type alluded to.

4. ~~The number of breech loaders applied for has been~~ purposely

I am also directed to state that some of the Arabian Horses are deficient in Pasterns

purposely fires as low as possible, in the hope that it may be possible to obtain exemption from customs duty for the ~~time~~ import of ~~a Cheltenham number of~~ revolvers to be purchased ~~to be applied for~~ by Artillery and Police Officers ~~in the State~~ at their own cost. 79 applications have been received up to date. Revolvers, while of no use to the rank and file with ammunition may generally be carried by the officers for self-protection and firing at close quarters, and the Darbar have directed that these weapons should be more largely adopted than hitherto.

5. I am accordingly directed to request the favour of your obtaining the sanction of the Govt. of India for the importation of 200 Snider breech loaders converted into .303 bores and of 79 revolvers free of customs duty.

I have &c

21/12/97.

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Secretary

No. 193

Rec'd 17/1/1898

FROM

THE FIRST A[SS]ISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

(55)

To

The Dewan of Mysore

Dated Bangalore, 17th January 1898.

SIR,

× 5 No. 52

In reply to your letter No. 7393-J8 dated 13th December 1897, (received on the 29th idem) requesting that the Sanction of the Government of India may be obtained for the importation of Snider Breech, and Revolver free of Customs duty, I am directed to say that if the Durbar wish to press this application, the Resident will place before the Government their desire to obtain some Snider carbines. The case they can submit in support of the

not however appear to be a very strong one. The recent dacoities, on the Northern borders of Mysore Seem to have been of a very mild type. the dacoits being as a rule unarmed except perhaps with Sticks - and the reluctance of the official designated to pursue them; because he was not armed with a breech loading weapon Seems, the Resident Suggests, to be only explicable on one hypothesis. (Viz. the man's want of courage?

I am to add that there no reason to believe that the -ernment of India will Sanction importation of Such a large ber of revolvers - the necessity which has not been demonstrated, - of duty.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
K. D. [illegible] Captain,
First Assistant Resident.

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To The Supt. Gl. of Police Mysore.

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Dated. 26th March 1898.

No 1211 SD / 1309 Rec'd

Correspondence enclosing his letter no 1093 of the 14th Septr/97 in regard to the import of Snider rifles, cartridges and revolvers by the Resident may be moved to address Govt for importing 79 revolvers required for the use of certain Amildars & Police Officers, free from the payment of Customs duty.

In reply to the above, has the honor to forward the accompanying Copy of letter no. 193 of 14th January/98, from

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To
The D. G. of Police
Mysore.

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Dated. 26th March 1898.

No 1211 SD / 1309 Rec'd

Correspondence ending with
His letter no 1093 of the 14th
Sept/97 in regard to the import of
under the Excise Laws and Revolvers
the Resident may be moved
to address for impo
ing 7 revolvers req
for the use of certain
Amildars & Police Of
licenses free from the
payment of Custom
duty.

In reply to the above
I am the honor to fo
ward the accompany
ing Copy of letter no
93 of 14th January/98.

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on the 1st Asst to the.
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cident in my case and to enquire Mr Jacobs the
~~enquire~~ whether a
further representa-
tion is necessary in
the matter. ~~of obtain-~~
~~ing the evidence~~ If so, the grounds
on which such a representation may be supported
should be clearly & fully stated. B. O.

21/3/98

19/3/98 Secy.

Subd
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